

# HOW TO FILL OUT YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE

## Please follow these 3 steps:

- 1 Fill out your crime, law and order questionnaire.
- 2 Fold, moisten and seal to make an envelope.
- 3 Mail post-free. You don't need a stamp.

Thank you for completing the questionnaire.



## Peter Draper MP Listening to our community ...



"Crime has many different faces, often with substantial impacts on both individual residents and the broader community. Providing law and justice is a costly process for the people of NSW, and as such it is important that the authorities understand what the community expects."

"By taking a few minutes to fill out this questionnaire you will assist me to put together a picture of the districts areas of concern, and allow me to take these issues to the relevant authorities who can address those expectations."

MOISTEN AND SEAL

Please take a few minutes to complete this questionnaire. It will give me a better understanding of your needs and how services could be improved.

- 1 Please list the rural community, village, town or suburb you reside in:  
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- 2 Your details (optional)  
Your Name: .....  
Address: .....  
.....  
Email: .....
- 3 What is your age group?  
 Under 25     25 – 35     36 – 45  
 46 – 65     Over 65
- 4 Do you consider that the crime levels in your neighbourhood are...?  
 High     Medium     Low
- 5 Do you consider that your neighbourhood has seen an increase in crime or anti social behaviour in the past two years?  
 Yes     No
- 6 Do you feel safe in your own home?  
 Yes     No
- 7 Do you generally feel safe when you're out and about (away from home)?  
 Yes     No
- 8 Are there areas you consider, for safety reasons, as 'no go zones' within the electorate?  
 Yes     No  
Please specify: .....
- 9 Have you had the need to contact the police to report an incident in the past twelve months?  
 Yes     No  
Comment: .....
- 10 How long did the police take to respond to your request for help?  
 Less than 2 hours     Between 2 – 6 hours  
 Longer than 24 hours     No response
- 11 If you have been a victim of crime have you reported the event to police?  
 Yes     No  
If not, why didn't you report the matter? : .....
- 12 Have you been happy with police service when required?  
 Yes     No
- 13 Which, if any, of the following would you say are a problem in your area?  
 Noisy neighbours or loud parties  
 Graffiti on walls or buildings  
 Teenagers hanging around on streets  
 Drunks or louts on streets  
 Vandalism and deliberate damage to property  
 Problems with pets  
 Illegal drug abuse  
 Domestic violence  
 Child abuse  
 Organized crime  
 Burglary  
 Racial harassment/attacks  
 Theft from cars  
 Assaults  
 Drink driving  
 Family Rows  
 Sexual Assault  
 Street Racing  
 Speeding traffic  
 Rural Crime  
 Other (please list): .....
- 14 How good a job do you think the police are already doing in your area to deal with these problems?  
 Very Good     Fairly Good     Average  
 Fairly Poor     Very Poor
- 15 Do you consider the judicial system gives enough support to police in dealing with offenders  
 Yes     No



# HAVE YOUR SAY CRIME, LAW AND ORDER QUESTIONNAIRE

A message from Peter Draper MP  
Independent Member for the Electorate of Tamworth

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19 From the following list which of the following would you like to see more of in your community?

More police on the streets in cars

More police on the streets on foot

Closer links between police and local community groups

More advice on preventing crime

Other (please list): .....

20 Do you think there's a need for more discipline in schools to help crack down on anti-social behaviour and instill respect and responsibility from a young age?

Yes  No

21 Do you think CCTV can help to make our streets safer?

Yes  No  Unsure

16 Do you consider that penalties handed down by courts generally fit the crime?

Yes  No

17 If you live on a rural property do you consider there has been an increase in Rural Crime/Stock Theft etc

Yes  No

18 Which of the following do you believe could be a cause of crime in your area?

Unemployment & poverty  Alcohol abuse

Drug Abuse  Violence on TV and other media

Family-social breakdown  Mental Health issues

Oppression-discrimination

Other (please list): .....



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**PETER DRAPER, M.P.**  
INDEPENDENT  
MEMBER FOR THE ELECTORATE OF TAMWORTH



9 March 2009

Dear Resident

I am writing to you to seek your assistance in filling out the attached questionnaire about how the community views crime, plus law and order issues.

As I travel around the district, people often raise issues about crime, law and order with me. These concerns are not confined to our major centres, indeed community concerns come from all of our towns and villages plus rural areas.

Often anecdotal evidence from community members fails to match information on the police database relating to incidents. Having spoken to other Members of the NSW Parliament I am aware that other communities right across NSW share this problem.

Unfortunately, not all victims of crime report incidents to police, resulting in crime levels being under-reported in the community. This results in an incomplete picture of total crime, victims and offenders, however the allocation of police resources and the number of police stationed on the local Command is based on this statistical data.

Understanding why individuals or victims do not report crimes to police can assist me to develop policies and strategies that can improve reporting rates in the future.

It is in all our interests to have safe communities to live in and to raise our families. As such, we all have a role to play in ensuring our dedicated police have the support of local residents in preventing crime across the board.

Thank you for your assistance in filling out this questionnaire, and I look forward to receiving your reply.

Yours sincerely,

**Peter Draper MP**  
Independent Member for the Electorate of Tamworth

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